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For

PARTITION SYSTEM WITH ELEVATED RACEWAY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

## REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

In an Office Action dated February 12, 2002, the Examiner indicated that the present application contains claims directed to patentability distinct species as shown in Figs. 6 and 8.

Applicants elect the species of Fig. 8. Claims 1-26 are generic to the species of Figs. 6 and 8 because none of these claims are limited to either embodiment of the bracket that connects the raceway to the partition.

Applicants note that an amendment was filed on March 4, 2002 amending claims 1-6 to recite a partition, such that claims 1-26 are now believed to be part of the elected invention (Group II).

In the event there are any informalities, the courtesy of a telephone call to the undersigned attorney would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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